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**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 11, 2006**

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments below.